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In re application of: Crawford, Mark G.; Bugbee, Michael W.; and Commings, Alfred D.  
Application No.: 09/692,674      Group No.: 3635  
Filed: October 18, 2000      Examiner: Safavi, Michael  
For: Screw Connection for Multi-ply Structural Members

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents**  
**Washington, D.C. 20231**

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**  
**(37 C.F.R. 1.114)**

1. Applicant hereby requests continued examination, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. Section 1.114, for the above identified application.

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**ENCLOSURES**

## 3. Enclosed herewith is:

An information disclosure (37 C.F.R. Section 1.98)

**FEE FOR REQUEST (37 C.F.R. Section 1.17(e)).**

## 4. This application is on behalf of:

Other than a small entity

Continued Prosecution Request Fee: \$740

**FEE FOR CLAIMS**

## 5. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. Section 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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(Col.1)		(Col. 2)		(Col. 3)	OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY	
Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For		Present Extra	Rate	Addit. Fee
Total	8	Minus	20	= 0	x \$18 =	\$0
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First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim					+ \$280 =	\$0
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No additional fee for claims is required.

#### **EXTENSION OF TIME**

6. The proceedings herein are for a patent application, and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. Section 1.136(a) apply.

Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this is a conditional petition and authorization to pay the necessary fees to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

#### **TOTAL FEE(S) DUE**

7. The total fee(s) due is/are:

Continued Prosecution Fee (Section 1.17(e))	<u>\$740.00</u>
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Fee(s) for additional claims (Section 1.16(b)-(d))	<u>\$0.00</u>
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8. Please pay the fee(s) for this continued examination application as follows:

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#### **INVENTORSHIP**

9. This application as amended names as inventors the same inventors as previously designated for the claims.

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